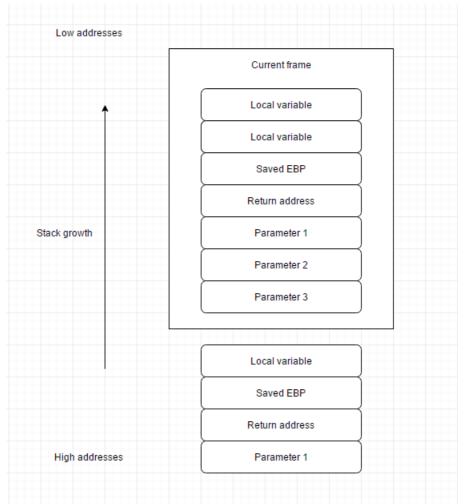
# Lab 01 - Software Security

## Resources

- Buffer overflow explained
- Shellcode explained

# Overview



buffer overflow occurs when data written to a buffer overruns its boundary and overwrites adjacent memory locations, due to insufficient bounds checking.

# **GDB** tutorial

# Loading a program

n order to start debugging using GDB, you need to specify the program to be inspected. There are two options for doing this:

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gdb prog

After launching GDB:

gdb

(gdb) file prog

nce the debugging symbols from the executable were loaded, you can start executing your program using the run command.

(gdb) run

you do not need the specify the full command, GDB can fill in the rest of a word in a command for you, if there is only one possibility. E.g.: r, ru and run are equivalent; c, co, continue are equivalent.

n order to specify arguments for the debugged program, you can either:

Specify them prior to starting the program:

(gdb) set args arg1 arg2

Specify them when starting the program:

(gdb) run arg1 arg2

ou do not need to specify the arguments each time: run with no arguments uses the same arguments used by the previous run, or those set by the sat args command.

## **Breakpoints**

Preakpoints represent places in your program where the execution should be stopped. They are added using the <u>break command and its variants</u>. Here are the most common usages:

break function - Set a breakpoint at entry to function function. When using source languages that permit overloading of symbols, such as C++, function may refer to more than one possible place to break. See section Breakpoint menus, for a discussion of that situation.

break linenum - Set a breakpoint at line linenum in the current source file. The current source file is the last file whose source text was printed. The breakpoint will stop your program just before it executes any of the code on that line.

break filename: li nenum - Set a breakpoint at line linenum in source file filename.

break filename: function - Set a breakpoint at entry to function function found in file filename. Specifying a file name as well as a function name is superfluous except when multiple files contain similarly named functions.

break \*address - Set a breakpoint at address address. You can use this to set breakpoints in parts of your program which do not have debugging information or source files.

You can see an overview of the current breakpoints using the info break command.

(gdb) infobreak

Num Type Disp Enb Address What

1 breakpoint keep y 0x0804856d in main at buggy. c 33

- 2 breakpoint keep y 0x080484d1 in print\_message at buggy. α 12
  3 breakpoint keep y 0x080484d1 in print\_message at buggy. α 12
- order to <u>remove breakpoints</u>, you can use the dear or the dete command. With the dear command you can delete breakpoints according to where they are in your program. With the dete command you can delete individual breakpoints by specifying their breakpoint numbers.

```
(gdb) del et e 2

(gdb) d ear buggy. c 33

Del et ed breakpoint 1
```

Once you want to resume execution, you can use the continue command.

(gdb) continue

Continuing.

[Inferior 1 (process 5809) exited nor mally]

## Step

- mere might be situations when you only want to execute one line of source code, or one machine instruction from your program. This action is called <u>a step</u> and can be categorized as follows:
  - Step into step: Continue running your program until control reaches a different source line, then stop it and return control to GDB. If the line you are stepping over represents a function call, this command will step inside it.
  - Step over next: Continue to the next source line in the current stack frame. This is similar to step, but function calls that appear within the line of code are executed without stopping.
- here are also equivalent functions fo the machine instructions: stepi, nexti.
- If you stepped into a function and you want to continue the execution until the function eturns, you can use the first command.

# Printing registers and variables In Thanh Ghi và Biến

you can display a summary of the current registers and flags using the info

```
esp
           00 0xffff d 00 0xffff d 00
           0xffff d 180xffff d 18
ebp
           0xf 7f b0000
                               -134545408
esi
edi
           Oxf 7f b0000
                               -134545408
           0x80484d1
ei p
                               0x80484d1 <pri rt_message+6>
efl ags
            0x286 [ PF SF I F ]
           0x23
                     35
CS
           0x2b
                     43
SS
ds
           0x2b
                     43
           0x2b
                     43
es
                     0
fs
          0x0
gs
           0x63
                     99
```

#### Nếu bạn muốn in giá trị của 1 thanh ghi chỉ định

If you want to print the value of one specific register, you can use the print command:

```
(gdb) print $esp
$1 = (vaid*) 0xffffaf 00
```

in a similar manner:

```
(gdb) printinput
$6 = 0
```

The print command allows you to specify the format of the output like this (you can find a full list of possible format specifiers <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>):

```
(gdb) p'x $esp

$3 = 0xffff d'00

(gdb) p'd $esp

$4 = 4294954752

(gdb) p's buf

$9 = "OK Byel\n"

(gdb) p'x buf

$10 = {0x4f, 0x4b, 0x2e, 0x20, 0x42, 0x79, 0x65, 0x21, 0xa, 0x0}
```

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You can use the command x (for "examine") to examine memory in any of several formats, independently of your program's data types.

x/ rf u addr

f, and u are all optional parameters that specify how much memory to display and how format it; addr is an expression giving the address where you want to start displaying memory.

**n** - the repeat count: The repeat count is a decimal integer; the default is 1. It specifies how much memory (counting by units u) to display.

 $\mathbf{f}$  - the display format: The display format is one of the formats used by print

**u** - the unit size: The unit size is any of b (bytes), h (halfwords), w (words) E.g.: Print 10 words in hexadecimal format, starting from the address of the current stack pointer.

(gdb) x/10xw \$esp

0xffffd 00: 0xffffd 58 0x4b4f d 10 0x7942202e 0x000a2165

In order to change the value of a variable or of a specific memory area, you can use the set command:

(gdb) set g=4 (gdb) set {int}0x83040 = 4

#### Stack info Thông tin ngăn xếp

backtrace is a summary of how your program got where it is. It shows one line per rrame, for many frames, starting with the currently executing frame (frame zero), followed by its caller (frame one), and on up the stack.

hacktrace: Print a backtrace of the entire stack: one line per frame for all frames in the backtrace.

E.g.:

(gdb) bt

#0 print\_message (input =0) at buggy. c 16

#1 0x080485b8 in main () at buggy. a 38

It is also possible to move up or down the stack using the following commands:

up n: Move n frames up the stack. For positive numbers n, this advances toward the outermost frame, to higher frame numbers, to frames that have existed longer. n defaults to one.

down n: Move n frames down the stack. For positive numbers n, this advances toward the innermost frame, to lower frame numbers, to frames that were created more recently. n defaults to one.

nother useful command for printing information related to the current stack frame is information. This command prints a verbose description of the selected stack frame, including:

- the address of the frame
- the address of the next frame down (called by this frame)
- the address of the next frame up (caller of this frame)
- the language in which the source code corresponding to this frame is written
- the address of the frame's arguments
- the address of the frame's local variables
- the program counter saved in it (the address of execution in the caller frame)
- which registers were saved in the frame

## **Exercises**

## 00. Setup

Compile the following code:

```
Đặt tên file này là buf_ovf.c
 # nd ude <st d a h>
 #ind ude <uni std h>
 # nd ude <stri ng. h>
 vaid want ed(){
             puts("Well done!");
 }
 void copy(char *arg){
             char buf[5];
             strcpy(buf, arg);
             pri ntf(" %s\ n", buf);
 }
 int main(int argc, char ** argv) {
             char buf[] = "Helld";
             pri ntf(" %s\n", buf);
             copy( ar gv[ 1]);
             return 0;
```

like this:

gcc buff ovf. c - o buff ovf -f no-st ack- pr at eat or - m82 - g



You may need to install li bc6-dev-i 386 for 64-bit systems.



## 🗐 1. Run, break, step

Run the program using GDB, setting the argument "AAA". Set a breakpoint at the beginning of the mainfunction. Continue execution until you hit the breakpoint. Try to reach the beginning of the copy function without setting another breakpoint.

Hint: use step over and step into.



Remove the existing breakpoint and set a new one at the beginning of the copy function. Run again the program and continue execution until you hit the breakpoint. Print the value of arg. Print the address of buf.

# 3. ASLR

Start again the execution (do not exit GDB) and print again the address of buf. What do you notice? Check in another tab if ASLR is enabled on your PC. What happens and how can you fix it?

**Hint**: http://visualgdb.com/gdbreference/commands/set\_disable-randomization

# 🗐4. Address investigation Điều tra địa chỉ

Run until the beginning of the copy function. Display stack info (bt, info frame). At what address is buf located? At what address is the saved return address located? How many bytes of input do you need in order to overwrite the return address?

## 5. Buffer overflow

Disable again address randomization in gdb. Run the program with a string such that the return address of the copy function is overwritten with AAAA. Check the address where the program fails.

#### 06. Call the "wanted" function

We want to create an attack which invokes the wanted function. What is the address of this function? Adjust the input so that the return address is overwritten with the address of the want ed function.

hint1: use objdump -d ./exec to list all the addresses from the binary. Look for the wanted address.

**hint2:** use python -c 'print "A" \* NR + " $\xspace XGH\xspace XEF\xspace XAB"$  to generate the payload for calling the function with address 0xABCDEFGH. You have to find the value of NR.

#### 07. Writing memory

We want to use our new GDB skills to make the application print two times Helld, even if we run it having AAA as argument.

- 1. Find out the address of the buffer containing the Helld string.
- 2. Continue the execution until the beginning of the copy function, disassemble the code and go step by step through the assembly instructions until the call instruction (do not execute the call).

- 3. Print the value of the stack pointer. Dump 2 values on the stack. What are the two values representing?
- 4. Overwrite the second value on the stack with the address of the buffer containing the Hell d string and then continue the execution. What happened?